

FREE AUTO RACES

The First Motor Contest Ever Staged at a Kansas Fair.

Local Speed Fiends Can Enter by Qualifying.

CARS FROM OVER THE COUNTRY

Iowa, Minnesota and Michigan Fairs Contribute.

Track Said by Expert To Be an Ideal Speedway.

Automobile races will be one of the leading features of the free state fair which will be held here September 12 to 17. Preliminary arrangements for the races were made today by Huff Dordard, of Chicago, a representative of the International Motor Contest association, who stated that Topeka and Kansas people would see some of the best auto racing ever held in this section of the country. Dirt track cars from the Iowa, Minnesota and Michigan fairs, will come to Topeka. This is the first time the local fair management has ever staged automobile racing events at the fair grounds.

Certain rules and regulations for the safety of the crowd and drivers of the cars must be followed and in order to have this done Mr. Dordard appointed W. W. Webb, of Topeka, as special representative of the association. Mr. Webb, in the old bicycle days, was chief counsel for the League of American Wheelmen and has had experience in handling such work.

An Ideal Speedway. Mr. Dordard and Mr. Webb went out to the fair grounds and inspected the track facilities and made several recommendations as to changes in the track that would insure safety to the crowd and eliminate some dangerous places.

"The track is an ideal half-mile dirt speedway," said Mr. Dordard, when he returned from the fair grounds, "and I have no doubt that the first auto meet ever held in Topeka will be a success. The cars that run on dirt tracks are built differently from those used on the paved speedways but they furnish just as many thrills for the spectators."

All entries for the races must be made with Mr. Webb. Only drivers who have met the requirements of the International Motor Contest association will be allowed to enter the events. Any local "speed bugs" who have a desire to enter the races may do so by making qualifying races before Mr. Webb and meeting the requirements for drivers. If any local driver qualifies he can enter in the free-for-all events.

BIG DES MOINES DAY.

League Leaders Celebrate With Lincoln Club This Afternoon.

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 6.—Local baseball enthusiasts turned out in large numbers today to witness the program of the Des Moines ball team of the Western league. A parade in which President O'Neill of the league was a participant, preceded the game this afternoon with Lincoln.

The members of the team with the drivers in the automobile speedway 300 mile race, which is being held by the Chamber of Commerce at luncheon.

Manager Isbell and his players returned from the Omaha series with a one and one-half game lead over Denver for the pennant. Ed Walsh, Chicago American pitcher, arrived this morning to be a guest of honor at the celebration. He will be one of the umpires in the afternoon game.

Omaha Celebrates, Too.

Gmaha, Aug. 6.—Mayor Dahlman having proclaimed a half holiday for today, fourteen civic and social organizations took official cognizance of "Booster Day," for the Western league baseball team.

An added attraction at the ball park was the announcement of Joe Stecher, the young Nebraska wrestling champion, as one of the contestants in the wrestling exhibition after the game.

ON STANDPATTERS.

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will be subserved if the national convention nominates a forward-looking Republican in accord with western sentiment. Kansas Republicans will sweep the state next year if that kind of a candidate is elected.

"In the preliminary campaign every Republican should be accorded freedom of thought and speech in the discussion and support of available candidates for the presidency, or any other office for that matter. But when the national convention meets next year, under the new rules laid down by the Republican national committee, and nominates a candidate for president, then every Republican should forget his ant-convention preference and give loyal support to the nominee. That's what the Capital will do and what I intend to do."

"Mr. Clark first came with my appointments, declaring that I have given all the places to so-called Progressives."

"In making these appointments I have been influenced by the qualifications of the men selected. I have in every instance appointed the best man or best woman available. I don't think the people of Kansas are tired of mere politics in the public business. They want the public money expended efficiently and economically, rather than for the building up of a political machine. Since the day I went into office I have not known that there was any such thing as a 'stand-pat' faction or a 'progressive' faction. Although it has happened without special desire, I think it will be found that so far as the interests of the party are concerned my appointments have been about equally divided."

"I have had more than 2,500 applications for jobs, while the number of places at my disposal was less than 100. Naturally a great many persons have been disappointed. Many of these were my warm personal and political friends, and a large number were in every way capable and deserving. It has been a matter of serious embarrassment and sincere regret on my part that I had to disappoint them. But my first duty is to the state and I have tried to do the most of all by what I thought was for the best interests of the taxpayers of Kansas who are paying the bills, and not by any personal or any political advantage that might be gained. I have cut off several public positions

for which there were numerous applicants because I believed they were not needed, and I intend to abolish a few more before I am through."

"It would have been much easier to fill these places with political friends, but in my judgment there are too many boards, too many inspectors, too many unnecessary jobs connected with the state government. I propose, so far as I have the power, to conduct the state's business on the same lines that I run my own business. I know that the people of this state would like to see the state's payroll, but if we are going to get real results for the four and one-half million dollars a year which the state of Kansas is run the state's business, there is no other way it can be done, and the sooner we get to it the better for us all."

NO CASH TO HUBBY

Spaulding Can't Collect Cent of Bride's Wealth.

Thirty Million Dollar Heiress Carries Pocketbook.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—Although Catharine Barker, who recently was wedded to Howard Spaulding, Jr., was possessed of an estate said to approximate \$30,000,000, her husband cannot collect one cent of the income, it became known today, when a trustee of the estate of the late John H. Barker, an automobile manufacturer, was found in the office of the probate court of Cook county.

The deed provides that the heiress shall receive \$30,000 a year until she is 21 years old, then she is to receive \$150,000 a year until she is 26 years old. After that time she is to receive the entire income of the trust fund, except where it is necessary to pay her other annuities.

It also provides that payments to Mrs. Spaulding are to be made directly to her by check or draft payable to her order and shall not be made to any other person, or upon any written or verbal order given by her, or upon any transfer or assignment made by her or created by operation of law.

Mrs. Spaulding is given the power to dispose of the estate by will.

B. OF L. E. MEN HERE.

Grievance Committee Comes For Its Triennial Meeting.

To thresh out small problems of the organization and work out routine business which has accumulated in the last three years, the triennial meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of the Santa Fe system is in session in Topeka. Nearly 100 members of the organization are attending the committee meeting, which will extend well toward the latter part of next week.

J. M. Frieligh, general secretary and treasurer, stated this morning that new officers would be elected next week for the coming three years. In the meantime the machinery of the organization is being overhauled and put in good running order.

The board of the engineers is composed of the following: J. M. Frieligh, chairman, Dodge City; J. M. Frieligh, general secretary and treasurer, Fort Madison, Ia.; J. S. Kawalski, Emporia; Geo. L. Korth, Chanute; C. E. McGinnis, Topeka; F. E. Hawksworth, Las Vegas, N. M.; F. E. Keller, San Marcial, N. M.; E. Larson, Amarillo, Tex.; Chas. Jackson, Wellington, Kan.; Carl P. East Las Vegas, N. M.; J. E. Newell, Fort Madison, Ia.; C. A. Beeler, Argentine; William A. Harwood, Chicago; J. M. Roche, Arkansas City; J. M. Chris McQuiston, La Junta, Colo.; M. J. Scherer, Newton, Kan.; Frank McCartney, Denver, Colo.; C. E. Trumpp, Argentine; Kenneth C. Williams, N. M.; Chas. Hill, Los Angeles, Cal.; A. McLennan, Bakersfield, Cal. The meetings are being held in the L. O. O. F. lodge hall, 117 West Sixth street.

HANSON WANTS THE JOB

McPherson Lawyer Would Like to Collect State's Twine Bills.

Lawyers in all parts of the state want the job of collecting that \$12,000 in twine plant claims held by the state. Recently a Kansas publication has been circulating a story that a man named by S. M. Brewster, attorney general, to collect the money. Since that time the attorney general has been busy answering requests for the job.

The collections will be made from the attorney general's office without the employment of a special assistant. It was announced today, in several instances, it will be necessary for the state to bring suit to force payment. Among today's applications for the job of collector was John H. Hanson, of McPherson, widely known insanity lawyer.

LOCAL MENTION.

The Rev. E. T. Asling of Lawrence, will occupy the pulpit of the First German M. E. church Sunday at both services.

Miss Esther Ross went to Lawrence to visit with friends. Miss Gladys Ross has gone to St. Joseph for a visit.

It will pay you to get our estimate on that lumber bill. Phone J. B. Whelan & Co., 111 E. 4th.—Adv.

Several dozens of Villa Mexican money, worth approximately ten cents in American money, were being played by Fred Volland, owner of the Volland clothing stores in Topeka. The money was obtained by a friend of Volland who recently returned from the border. Volland, however, had the line into Mexico and feeling the need of Mexican money changed \$5, American to its worth in Villa currency. He received between \$25 and \$300 in return. After buying everything in sight in the Mexican village he still had enough left to distribute among friends at home.

The Catholic members of the Topeka Rotary club have sent invitations to the club membership to attend the annual convention of the club, which is being held this evening by the ladies of the Holy Name parish, on the church property, at the corner of Clay street and Tenth avenue.

Fire in Livery Barn. Independence, Kan., Aug. 6.—Fire here early today burned a livery barn and 25 horses that were in it and also burned a feed mill. John Prescott, owner of the livery stable, rushed into the burning building and was so badly burned that it is said he will have a foot amputated. The loss was \$15,000.

MOOSE WILL LIVE

George W. Perkins Sounds Rallying Cry to Progressives.

Party Stands for Preparedness for Peace and War.

NATIONAL TICKET IN 1916

Meeting of Leaders Held in Buffalo and Albany.

Affiliation With Old Line Republicans Declared Impossible.

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 6.—Sounding a rallying cry for Progressives to stand by their party, George W. Perkins told perhaps twenty-five upstate leaders at an executive meeting here today that the Progressive organization is the only one that stands for preparedness for peace as well as preparedness for war and at this time he declared, both are equally important to the country.

"Because of the utter lack of preparedness to meet the great modern economic conditions in industry we are as a country as unprepared for peace as we are for war," he said. "Every thoughtful man knows that if the war were to stop tomorrow widespread industrial depression immediately would gather in this country."

As to national candidates, he said he had no idea what the future would bring forth and declined to say if he believed Roosevelt would be a candidate for president, or if he would support Governor Hiram Johnson of California for the presidency.

National Ticket in 1916. Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 6.—That the Progressives will never return to the fold of the Republican party and that there will be no complete national Bull Moose ticket in 1916 was the declaration of George W. Perkins, national chairman, Thursday. He said that the party with the authority of Colonel Roosevelt.

Mr. Perkins came here to induce County Chairman Chauncey J. Hamlin to join the Bull Moose ticket. In response to messages he was joined by Frank M. Davenport, Theodore Douglas Robinson and Robert Elder.

Meeting of Leaders. A meeting of the Progressives was held Thursday at which Perkins and others spoke. The indications were that the Progressives would decide to have their party organization in the country.

"Individuals leave and join the Progressives as they do other political parties," said Mr. Perkins. "It was wrong in principle for a whole county organization to quit one party for another. I am hopeful of convincing County Chairman Hamlin to remain in the party and to continue his affiliation in behalf of that party's principles."

"The Progressives will continue in the nation, state, county and local divisions," he said. "I bring the message from Colonel Roosevelt that every self-thinking man who believes in honest and clear government should affiliate with the Progressives. We will have a national ticket in 1916."

Keep Parts Intact. "Coming here as a representative of the national committee, I feel it my duty to see that the progressive organization is kept intact. It is extraordinary for any man to try to deliver a political organization to another party."

"While individuals leave the progressive party just as they do in other parties and individuals also leave the party, it is the duty of the organization to leave the party. The Erie county progressive organization is a strong one and forms one of the best chapters in our national organization."

"It is absurd to ask a Progressive to join the Republicans, for they are hopelessly reactionary and any Progressive who swings into that line will be eaten up."

"The Republicans are controlled by the same old gangs and it is impossible for Progressives to try to reform that party. That would be a progressive step, even for the Progressives."

As a result of Perkins' efforts Hamlin largely failed to carry with him into the Republican party any considerable element. He resigned as county chairman and after a talk with Perkins, he decided to act with his proposed resolution that Buffalo Progressives go over en masse to the old party.

"PEP" COMMITTEE

Commercial Club to Organize Branch for Real Work.

Its Business Will Be To Hustle for Topeka.

The initial steps towards the formation of what will be known as the "Pep Committee" of the Commercial club, were taken at a meeting of business men at noon today. The first order of business was to give according to the will of the majority in pushing to completion projects for the general good of Topeka. The committee will be one of action, and not one whose chief activity lies in passing resolutions.

J. Will Kelley, secretary of the club, told of the need of a committee that will get behind club enterprises and stick to them to a completion. With such an organization retail business may be increased in Topeka, new factories procured and many enterprises undertaken and accomplished for the good of the city, according to Kelley.

"Pep" will stand for population; the first letter E for energy, effort and excellence, and the last letter for pride, prosperity, and progress," said Kelley. "The retail business of Topeka is on the increase," he continued, "and we need to increase the outlet. We must add to the commercial life of the city. We must do the unusual thing, the thing in an unusual way."

"Money has been lost in industrial enterprises in Topeka, and we have been living in the past. The primary object of a business organization like the Commercial club is to improve business conditions."

To Improve Kansas Avenue. Secretary Kelley pointed out that there are several good factories that could be brought to Topeka with a little inducement. He suggested that an effort be made to improve lower Kansas avenue. "There has been much talk about improving lower Kansas avenue," he said, "but no ef-

fort has been made to accomplish results. It can be done. I have talked with property owners and I am convinced it can be done in the next six weeks."

"I'd be one man to go down into my pocket and give \$25 for improvement of lower Kansas avenue," said W. W. Webb. "I don't like to drive up that hill. It interferes with property. Whenever traffic ceases, it injures property." Others favored the replacing of the old cobblestones by modern paving materials.

A committee composed of Robert Stone, chairman; S. C. Pettit, George P. McIntire, T. C. Whitaker and H. C. Chase, was appointed to the "Pep" committee. It will be a volunteer proposition. The committee will meet Monday noon.

Those present at the meeting today who expressed themselves as favoring the plan: S. C. Pettit, E. B. Sewell, B. B. Elieiman, W. W. Webb, Charles Dillon, H. H. Pugh, Harry T. Chaney, Robert Stone, T. C. Whitaker, E. L. Overton, Theodore Mueller, R. A. Covey and H. M. Harris.

COUNTY IS HARD UP

Rigid System of Economy Has Been Inaugurated.

Nearly \$150,000 Out of General Revenue Fund.

Strict economy will be the watchword of the board of county commissioners for the remainder of the year. Expenses have been piled up so high before the board that the members fear that Shawnee county will be broke before the year is over. When the money from the new tax levy will be available. Up to June 30, the end of the fiscal year for the county, \$145,215.10 had been spent by the board of county commissioners for the year.

"We have just got to cut down," declared Fred Nippes, a member of the board, this morning. "Our expense has been increasing so rapidly that we will find it impossible to pay the bills if we do not cut down. This isn't a serious situation; it just means that we will have to begin a system of rigid economy."

County commissioners began their retrenchment policy this morning by turning a deaf ear to Judge Hugh MacFarland who wanted more equipment for the county detention home. It is planned by the board members to cut off a little here and there so that the burden of reducing expenses will not have to be borne by any one of the county institutions.

The other members of the advisory committee will be named in a few weeks and active work begun.

COBURN IN TARIFF MOVE

Kansas Aids National League to Obtain "Business" Revision.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—Six members of an advisory committee of twenty-four representatives of all lines of industry to aid the tariff commission in its work of financing a propaganda for an expert commission to adjust the tariff on a business rather than a political basis were announced today. They are John Mitchell, labor leader and chairman of the state industrial commission of New York; F. D. Coburn of Kansas; A. P. Groat of Illinois, president of the National Alfalfa Growers' association; Warren S. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; W. D. Hoard, governor of Wisconsin; and Mrs. Samuel B. Sneath, Tiffin, Ohio, first vice president of the National Federation of Women's Clubs.

The committee will be named in a few weeks and active work begun.

Word of the drowning of Mack Lytle, the oldest son of Paul Lytle, a prominent farmer living four miles north of Dover, has been received in Topeka. The boy was drowned in a watering trough last Monday evening.

The death of the little fellow occurred just after Paul Lytle, his father, had finished watering a team of horses he had been working. The young man was standing near the trough unnoticed by his father. Later the boy was missed and was discovered in the trough by his grandmother, Mrs. Mack Lytle.

TO RAZE WHOLE TOWN

Dayton Employs Drastic Measures to Prevent Floods.

Dayton, Ohio, Aug. 6.—In line with the plans for prevention of future floods such as wrought disaster to this city and the Miami valley in March, 1913, the entire village of Oshtemo, Greene county, which now has 400 families and more than 1,000 population will be razed to the ground. The land will be bought and the houses razed.

CRUDE OIL IS UP AGAIN

Wichita Falls, Tex., Aug. 6.—The Texas oil company today posted an advance of five cents in the price of crude oil, making the quotation sixty cents a barrel.

The price has been advanced from forty-five cents to that figure within the last ten days.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

The funeral of James H. Devlin, who died Wednesday at his home, 118 Monroe street, will be held Saturday morning at 9 o'clock from the Church of the Assumption. Interment in Mount Calvary cemetery.

John Hale, age 63, died Thursday night at a local hospital. The body will be taken to Kansas City, Mo., for interment.

Merle Cripp, age 2, died Thursday at the home of her parents in Grantville. The funeral was held this afternoon at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the Swedish Bethel Mission church. Services will be held at the home at 2 o'clock.

KAW WATER SHED

Flood Prevention Campaign Worked Out by Kansas.

Executive Committee of Congress in Topeka Today.

MAKE TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEY

Gather Information for All Possible Dam Sites.

Drainage Ideas Will Be Obtained From Washington.

Preliminary details of the flood prevention campaign in Kansas are being worked out this afternoon at a special meeting in the governor's office. Officers and members of the executive committee of the flood congress met under a call from T. J. Strickler, engineer for the public utilities commission, and will outline a campaign.

Engineering, legal, legislative, finance and publicity committees will probably be appointed at today's meeting. The survey of the Kaw river watershed will be worked out and methods of financing the work will be considered.

Advice From Government. Governor Capper will be asked to obtain the services of engineers from the federal war department. Expert information as to reservoirs and dams, locations and methods of making surveys, will be gathered by the flood prevention advocates attending today's session of the executive committee.

The survey of the Kaw river watershed will be made with a view of gathering information concerning all possible sites. A topographical survey will be conducted by engineers from the state university and state agricultural college. Drainage ideas from various experts will also be secured by the committee in charge of the work.

Members of the executive committee are: Governor Capper, T. J. Strickler, engineer for public utilities commission; J. C. Mohler, secretary state board of agriculture; H. A. Rice, state university engineer; H. B. Walker, state agricultural college; A. A. Robinson, Topeka; Mayor Charles W. Green, Kansas City; George Plumb, Emporia; J. C. Strong, Blue Rapids; Charles T. Estes, Abilene; Charles E. Hall, Russell.

The Drummers Get Mutt Ens. St. Joseph, Mo., Aug. 6.—Owner

Holland of the St. Joe Western league club today signed Mutt Ens, first baseman with the Bridgeport club of the Eastern association last year and property of the Chicago White Sox in 1913. Ens, whose home is in St. Louis, will report here in time to play tomorrow.

TO SHELL BORDER

U. S. Battery Reaches Nogales to Protect Americans.

Fort Riley Troops Off Today to Join Southern Forces.

Nogales, Ariz., Aug. 6.—Battery C of the Sixth United States field artillery, arrived here from Douglas today to protect American lives and property from the fire of the warring factions in Sonora, Mex.

It was stated the battery had orders to shell either of the Mexican factions that sent bullets into American territory.

The Carranza forces which attacked Nogales, Sonora, Wednesday, and then withdrew, have drawn closer to the town with reinforcements, which are said to consist of 500 men and two pieces of artillery.

It has been definitely established that six hundred men of the Carranza town of Nogales during the fighting Wednesday.

Locked Him in Cellar. "Babe" Smith First Took a Gun From His Adversary.

C. C. Gray, a dairyman, and James "Babe" Smith, a frequenter of the police court, are booked on the police blotter.

Trouble between the two occurred just after 6 o'clock Thursday evening near Eleventh and Buchanan streets, near the home of Smith. It appears that Gray was in possession of a gun which Smith claims was pointed too close to his head to suit him.

Babe, a husky negro—one that the chief always sends two men to arrest took the gun away from Gray and locked the dairyman in his cellar, according to information in the hands of the police. Then a policeman bent an ash club over Smith's head and took him to the station along with Gray. Smith is booked on a charge of carrying a load and being disorderly, while Gray is booked on a charge of carrying a dangerous weapon.

Officers Hannon, Gregg, Pinkston and Sanders arrested the two.

Suffrage Loses in Alabama. Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 6.—By a majority of one vote the house committee on privileges and elections voted to report an amendment granting woman suffrage in Alabama. The vote stood 6 to 5 against a favorable report.

Some Real Bargains To Close Suburban Week

Tomorrow being the last day of Suburban Week we shall offer some exceptionally good values to cash buyers.

Table Oil Cloth Best quality, in fancy colors and white, for this week—yard..... 15c

Book Fold Percales "Kerman" Brand, light and dark blue, gray and white grounds, yd..... 5c

A Beautiful Egyptian Tissue Dress in light blue, tan, gray lavender and pink ground with fine white cord running through. Front and cuffs of embroidered organdie. This dress is a wonder at..... 98c

Children's White Lawn Dresses, embroidery and lace trimmed, ages 6 to 12 years..... 29c

Children's Half Hose, big line, solid colors and fancy tops. The 25c kind..... 15c The 15c kind..... 10c

Breakfast Sets, stripped and figured percale, 3-piece—trimmed with Bias tape, full cut and well made..... 69c

One Lot of Assorted Dresses, that have been priced from 98c to \$1.75. To close out, your choice for..... 59c

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Graniteware Less Than Half Price

We bought a special lot of heavy grey enamel ware at factory cost and we will put this on sale tomorrow morning from 9 o'clock to 11 and in the afternoon from 2 until 5 at these unusual prices:

Tea Kettles, Dish Pans, Stew Kettles, etc. Regular 75c values, this sale..... 23c

Sauce Pans, Baking Pans, Buckets, etc. Regular 25c values, this sale..... 9c

All the smaller pieces worth up to 10c, this sale for..... 5c

See the Ware in Our Window.

20 POUNDS Pure Cane SUGAR \$1

With \$4 order of other groceries.

Specials Tomorrow

Spring Chickens—dressed and drawn; nice ones; lb..... 24c

Hens—dressed and drawn; in fine condition; lb..... 19c

Hams—Wolf's quality; hams, average sizes; lb..... 15c

Peaches—Nearly 7 lbs. to the basket; they're fine ones; basket..... 19c

Shredded Coconut in bulk; 2 lbs. for..... 25c

Peanut Butter—Fresh made; just the thing for picnic lunches, 2 lbs..... 25c

Tomatoes—Nice smooth ones, large and solid, per basket..... 19c

Roasting ears—Better than ever; well filled ears; fresh from the field; dozen..... 10c

Lard—O. K.; the best lard produced; No. 3, 10 lb. can..... \$1.05 No. 5, 5 lb. can; No. 10, 10 lb. can.....